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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 14 with the following rewritten paragraph:

An embodiment of the information processing system according to the invention ~~is defined in Claim 2~~ includes the display of an information item corresponding to the selected icon. Since the information item is displayed in the output field on the display, while the first field with the selected icon is still visible by the user, the relation between the outputted information item and the selected first icon is directly clear to the user. This reassures the user that the information item is displayed in response to the selected first icon. This is advantageous compared to a system where an icon is selected in one screen on the display and, in response to that, a completely new screen on the display is shown with the desired information item. In the information processing system according to the invention, in addition to the second sequence of second icons, the information item is displayed, and may therefore be used to provide information about the selected first icon and/or to further explain the second sequence of second items.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 25 with the following rewritten paragraph:

An embodiment of the information processing system according to the invention ~~is defined in Claim 3~~ includes the display of an information item corresponding to a second selected icon. As with the selected first icon, the simultaneous display of the selected second icon and the outputted information item directly demonstrates the relation between those two. The information item displayed in response to a selection of a second icon may constitute a piece of information desired by the user.